

GPL Special Expansion Committee Meeting
Thursday, January 12, 1:00 p.m.
Groton Town Hall

Present: Linda Bonavia, Sara Knobel, Jennifer Morey, Frank Satterly, Sheri Shurtleff, Pam Vitale, John Watkins, representatives of the Finger Lakes Library system, Drew Montreuil, 4 community members

Call to Order: Linda called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. She extended a welcome to all and introductions were made.

Approval of Warrant: Sheri moved to accept the warrant in the amount of \$6,278.36. Pam seconded this motion which was unanimously passed.

Special Action: The previously scheduled regular meeting of the Board on January 10, 2017 at 7 p.m. had to be canceled due to bad weather. The meeting was rescheduled to Friday, January 20, 2017 at 1 p.m. at the Library. This change will be publicized on the Library website, in the Library and on Facebook.

Old Business: After much general discussion, the Board decided to compose a wish list of ideas to be incorporated into the expansion/renovation plan. This list should reflect the Plan of Service adopted by the Board as a result of community discussion groups in 2014. Discussion included comments stating that libraries are not just sources of books but also places of education in all possible ways.

Wish List:

- 1) larger, more clearly defined, separate areas for children and teens
- 2) staff office space
- 3) kitchen area
- 4) additional rest room
- 5) additional basement space
- 6) elevator/ramp
- 7) radiant, energy-efficient heat
- 8) large space for community activities
- 9) cameras to aid/prevent staffing concern
- 10) defibrillators
- 11) "kit" storage areas for loanable items
- 12) generator
- 13) outside patio/space

- 14) improved computer area with outlets and charging station
- 15) renovate existing basement for much useable storage

Suggestions:

Some guidance was given by FLLS representatives on grant writing and how to proceed. They strongly suggested forming a committee of 5-6 members including a community member, staff person, Friend of Library, Board member, business owner

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Morey
GPL Board Secretary

Next Regular Board Meeting: Tuesday, February 14, 2017, 1 p.m. at the Library